

PATENT**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the paragraphs of the specification as follows:

Page 19, the Paragraph beginning with the words "The SNR for received...."

The SNR for a received transmission, as estimated at the user terminal, may also be reported to the base station. The SNR estimates may be quantized to any number of bits, depending on the specific implementation. The estimated SNR may also be translated into a particular data rate supported by a particular transmit power level for a packet data transmission. A DRC command indicative of the supported data rate may be reported and used for power control. A multi-bit feedback may be used to adjust the transmit power or data rate for the transmission on the associated channel in finer granularity than possible with a binary feedback, which may improve performance and capacity. The types of information that may be reported back for power control are described in further detail in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/755,659, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR POWER CONTROL OF MULTIPLE CHANNELS IN A WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SYSTEM," filed January 5, 2001, assigned to the assignee of the present application and incorporated herein by reference.

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